

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:)	Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned
)	
ADAMS <i>et al.</i>)	Examiner: To Be Assigned
)	
Continuation Application of:)	Atty. Docket No. GP100-03.CN1
Serial No. 09/365,121)	
)	
Filed: May 29, 2001)	
)	
For: DECOY PROBES)	

11002 U.S. PTO
09/867193
05/29/01

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Box Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the references listed on the enclosed forms PTO-1449 (two sets), each of which was previously cited during the prosecution of parent application Serial No. 09/365,121. Accordingly, copies of these references are not enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(b) before the later of three months from the filing date of the instant application or the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the enclosed forms PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials or other appropriate marks.

No fee is believed due in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement. If Applicants are mistaken, please charge the amount due to Deposit Account No. 07-0835.

IDS

Continuation of Serial No. 09/365,121
Atty. Docket No. GP100-03.CN1

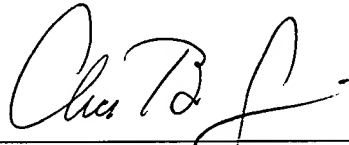
Certificate of Mailing By Express Mail

I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited on the date indicated below with the U.S. Postal Service as express mail (Express Mail No. ET620464619US) addressed to Box Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: May 29, 2001

By:



Charles B. Cappellari
Registration No. 40,937
Attorney for Applicants

GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED
Patent Department
10210 Genetic Center Drive
San Diego, California 92121
PH: (858) 410-8927
FAX: (858) 410-8928

FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (USE SEVERAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)	ATTY. DOCKET NO.	SERIAL NO.
	GP100-03.CN1	To Be Assigned
	APPLICANT	
	Adams et al.	
	FILING DATE	GROUP
	May 29, 2001	To Be Assigned

11002 U.S. PTO
09/06/193
09/23/01

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS												
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER							DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE (IF APPROPRIATE)
	4	6	8	3	2	0	2	7/28/87	Mullis	435	91	
	4	7	2	0	3	8	5	1/19/88	Lembach	424	86	
	5	0	4	3	2	7	2	8/27/91	Hartley	435	91	
	5	2	7	0	1	8	4	12/14/93	Walker et al.	435	91.2	
	5	3	8	4	2	4	2	1/24/95	Oakes	435	6	
	5	4	2	7	9	2	9	6/27/95	Richards et al.	435	91.2	
	5	4	2	7	9	3	0	6/27/95	Birkenmeyer et al.	435	91.52	
	5	4	8	0	7	8	4	1/2/96	Kacian et al.	435	91.21	
	5	7	1	2	3	8	6	1/27/98	Wang et al.	536	24.33	
	5	8	1	1	5	3	3	9/22/98	Gold et al.	536	23.1	
	5	8	6	1	2	7	3	1/19/99	Olson et al.	435	69.1	
	5	9	0	8	7	4	4	6/1/99	McAllister et al.	435	6	
	5	9	7	2	6	1	0	10/26/99	Buchardt et al.	435	6	
	6	0	2	0	1	3	0	2/1/00	Gold et al.	435	6	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS														
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER							DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
													YES	NO
		9	6	4	1	0	1	0	12/19/96	PCT			X	
		9	8	0	2	5	8	2	1/22/98	PCT			X	
		2	2	9	3	2	3	8	03/20/96	GB			X	

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
*EXAMINER: INITIAL IF CITATION CONSIDERED, WHETHER OR NOT CITATION IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH MPEP 609; DRAW LINE THROUGH CITATION IF NOT IN CONFORMANCE AND NOT CONSIDERED, INCLUDE COPY OF THIS FORM WITH NEXT COMMUNICATION TO APPLICANT.	

FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (USE SEVERAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)	ATTY. DOCKET NO. GP100-03.CN1	SERIAL NO. To Be Assigned
	APPLICANT Adams et al.	
	FILING DATE May 29, 2001	GROUP To Be Assigned

EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)	
	A	Gold et al., "Diversity of Oligonucleotide Functions," <i>Amu. Rev. Biochem.</i> , <u>64</u> :763-797 (1995)
	B	Savinkova et al., "Binding of Escherichia coli RNA polymerase with oligodeoxynucleotides homologous to the "-10" region of the of the promoters of bacteria genes of the transcribed and non-transcribed DNA strands", <i>Mol. Biol. (Moscow)</i> , <u>22</u> (3):807-812 (1988) (ABSTRACT ONLY - XP002121605)
	C	Uphoff et al., "In vitro selection of aptamers: the dearth of pure reason," <i>Current Opinion in Structural Biology</i> , 6:281-288 (1996)
	D	Wright et al., "Continuous in Vitro Evolution of Catalytic Function," <i>Science</i> , <u>276</u> :614-617, (1997)
		Dup

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
*EXAMINER: INITIAL IF CITATION CONSIDERED, WHETHER OR NOT CITATION IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH MPEP 609; DRAW LINE THROUGH CITATION IF NOT IN CONFORMANCE AND NOT CONSIDERED, INCLUDE COPY OF THIS FORM WITH NEXT COMMUNICATION TO APPLICANT.	